

In the Claims:

Amend claims 34 - 36; and cancel, without prejudice, claims 37 - 54, 60, 61, and 63 - 70 as indicated below:

1-33 (cancelled).

34 (currently amended). A safety toggle bolt for anchoring to an object having a cylindrical hole therethrough leading to an opening space, comprising:

a flexible cable having a proximal end having an anchoring attachment;

a hole plug ~~slidably movable with respect to said cable for fitting said~~
~~hole, said hole plug having a substantially cylindrical hole plugging~~
~~portion for centering said plug in the hole circumferentially~~
~~engaging the hole and a lip portion for fixing the position of said~~
~~hole plug against the object; and~~

a toggle bar pivotally connected to a distal end of said cable and adapted for pivoting between a closed position for insertion through the hole into the opening space and an open position in which the toggle bar cannot be withdrawn from the opening space back through the hole, wherein an end of said toggle bar is adapted for

locking engagement with said hole plug in said closed position;

a toggle bar pivot control member, said toggle bar pivot control member having a handle end adapted for manipulating said toggle bar and a control end attached to said toggle bar for pivoting, in response to said manipulating, said toggle bar between said open and closed positions, said hole plug having two apertures therethrough, said flexible cable extending through one of said apertures and said control member extending through the other of said apertures; and

a plug biasing spring for biasing said hole plug toward said toggle bar.

35 (currently amended). The safety toggle bolt of claim [[63]] 34, wherein said end of said toggle bar is adapted for releasable retention in a recess of said hole plug to provide said locking engagement.

36 (currently amended). The safety toggle bolt of claim 35, wherein said ~~cable~~ extends through a substantially centrally disposed aperture through said hole plug, and wherein said end of said toggle bar is tapered to provide for said retention.

37 - 54 (cancelled).

55 (previously presented). The safety toggle bolt of claim 36, further comprising a toggle bar return spring for biasing said toggle bar in said open position.

56 (previously presented). The safety toggle bolt of claim 35, further comprising a toggle bar return spring for biasing said toggle bar in said open position.

57 (previously presented). The safety toggle bolt of claim 34, further comprising a toggle bar return spring for biasing said toggle bar in said open position.

58 (previously presented). A method for anchoring to an object having a hole therethrough leading to an opening space, comprising the steps of:

providing a safety toggle bolt having a handle member and a toggle bar pivotally connected to the handle member;

locking the toggle bar in a closed position;

inserting the safety toggle bolt through the hole; and

pushing on the handle member so as to unlock the toggle bar from the closed position, wherein the toggle bar automatically opens to an open position.

59 (previously presented). A method for anchoring to an object having a hole therethrough leading to an opening space, comprising the steps of:

providing a safety toggle bolt having a handle member, a toggle bar pivotally connected to the handle member, and a hole plug;

locking the toggle bar in a closed position;

inserting the safety toggle bolt through the hole so as to seat the hole plug in the hole;

pushing on the handle member so as to unlock the toggle bar from the closed position; and

releasing the handle member subsequent to said step of pushing, wherein the toggle bar is automatically pulled toward the hole plug, to automatically adjust the safety toggle bolt to the depth of the hole.

60 - 70 (cancelled).